

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH  
ABSTRACT

Endowments Department – Appointment of Justice Sri M. Jagannatha Rao, Retired Judge, Supreme Court of India and former Chairman, Law Commission of India as Single Member Commission of Inquiry to conduct inquiry regarding shortage of Gold Dollars at Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams, the arrangements to be made to safeguard the valuables of Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams – Orders – Issued.

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REVENUE (VIG.IV) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 56.

Dated the 16<sup>th</sup> of January, 2009.

ORDER:

The Executive Officer, Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams has brought to the notice of the Government regarding shortage of Sri Venkateswara Swamy Dollars and suggested to appoint a retired Judge to inquire into all the matters relating to the arrangements to be made to safeguard the jewelery and valuables of T.T.D. and to suggest measures to prevent recurrence of such incidents.

2. Government, after careful consideration of the above issue, have decided to appoint a retired Judge to inquire into the matter.
3. Accordingly, the following Notification shall be published in the Extraordinary issue of the A.P.Gazette, dated:20.01.2009:

**NOTIFICATION-1**

Whereas the Government of Andhra Pradesh are of the opinion that it is necessary to appoint a Commission of Inquiry for the purpose of making an inquiry into a definite matter of public importance herein after specified.

Now, therefore in exercise of powers conferred by Section 3 of the Commissions of Inquiry Act, 1952 (Central Act 60 of 1952), the Government of Andhra Pradesh hereby appoint Justice M. Jagannatha Rao, retired Judge, Supreme Court of India as a Single Member of Commission of Inquiry to inquire into all the matters relating to the arrangements to be made to safeguard the Jewellery and Valuables of T.T.D.

The Terms of Reference of the Commission shall be as follows:

- (i) to inquire into the probable causes and circumstances which led to shortage of Sri Venkateswara Swamy Gold Dollars in Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams;
- (ii) the arrangements to be made for the security and safety of jewellery and valuables belonging to Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams; and
- (iii) to suggest systems and measures to prevent recurrence of such incidents in future.

The Commission will hold its sittings at Hyderabad or at any other place as may be considered necessary by the Commission and will complete its inquiry and report to the State Government at an early date from the date of assumption of charge.

**NOTIFICATION-2**

Whereas, the Government of Andhra Pradesh are of the opinion having regard to the nature of the inquiry to be made by the Commission and other circumstances of the case that all the provisions of sub-sections (2) (3) (4) and (5) of Section 5 of the Commissions of Inquiry Act, 1952 should be made applicable to the Commission appointed in the Notification-1 above.

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Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of Section 5 of the Commissions of Inquiry Act, 1952, the Government of Andhra Pradesh hereby direct that all the provisions of sub-sections (2) (3) (4) (5) of Section 5 and Section 5A of the said Act shall apply to the Commission appointed in the notification-1 above.

( BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH )

M. VEERABHADRAIAH  
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

Justice Sri M. Jagannatha Rao, Retired Judge, Supreme Court of India & former Chairman,  
Law Commission, H.No.3-6-281, Opp: Old MLA Quarters, Himayatnagar, Hyderabad  
– 500 029.

The Executive Officer, Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams, Tirupati.

The Commissioner, Printing & Stationery, A.P., Hyderabad, with a request to publish the  
above Notification in the Extraordinary issue of the A.P. Gazette, dated 20.01.2009  
and arrange to supply 20 copies to this office.

Copy to:

The Advocate-General, A.P., Hyderabad.

The Principal Secretary to C.M.

The P.S. to M(Endowments, R&S).

The P.S. to Chief Secretary to Government.

The General Administration (L&O) Department.

The Law (E) Department.

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